

## ***How Has the Recent Flood of MPC Imports Hurt New York's Farmers?***

Foreign dairy producers are currently avoiding US tariffs on nonfat dry milk by instead selling Milk Protein Concentrates (MPCs) to be used in products such as cheese spreads, snack foods and coffee creamers. Over the last decade, some MPC imports have undermined the market for nonfat dry milk, costing New York dairy farmers millions of dollars every year. As MPCs have replaced nonfat dry milk in the market, they have driven the price down of milk for New York's farmers and resulted in significant losses in revenue.

**Following is a county-by-county breakdown of the number of dairy farms in the state along with the impact to each county of the proliferation of MPCs.**

**Capital Region:** Last year, 755 dairy farmers in the Capital Region lost \$9.79 million due to the proliferation of cheap MPC imports.

<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Dairy Farms</b>	<b>Revenue lost due to MPC imports in 2003</b>
Albany	16	\$190,000
Fulton	54	\$520,000
Montgomery	252	\$2.55 million
Rensselaer	83	\$1.53 million
Saratoga	51	\$1,070,000
Schenectady	10	\$120,000
Schoharie	106	\$950,000
Washington	183	\$2.86 million
<b>Capital Region</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>\$9.79 million</b>

**Central New York:** Last year, 948 dairy farmers in Central New York lost \$12.01 million due to

the proliferation of cheap MPC imports.

<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Dairy Farms</b>	<b>Revenue lost due to MPC imports in 2003</b>
Cortland	166	\$2.2 million
Madison	241	\$2.82 million
Oneida	339	\$3.43 million
Onondaga	122	\$2.99 million
Oswego	80	\$570,000
<b>Central New York</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>\$12.01 million</b>

**Rochester/Finger Lakes:** Last year, 861 dairy farmers in the Rochester/Finger Lakes area lost \$15.01 million due to the proliferation of cheap MPC imports.

<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Dairy Farms</b>	<b>Revenue lost due to MPC imports in 2003</b>
Cayuga	158	\$3.98 million
Livingston	86	\$2.73 million
Monroe	25	\$550,000
Ontario	116	\$2.4 million
Schuyler	26	\$460,000
Seneca	88	\$830,000
Tompkins	79	\$1.43 million
Wayne	76	\$1.2 million
Yates	207	\$1.43 million
<b>Rochester/Finger Lakes</b>	<b>861</b>	<b>\$15.01 million</b>

**Hudson Valley:** Last year, 267 dairy farmers in the Hudson Valley lost \$3.47 million due to the proliferation of cheap MPC imports.

<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Dairy Farms</b>	<b>Revenue lost due to MPC imports in 2003</b>
Columbia	53	\$1.19 million
Dutchess	30	\$360,000
Greene	35	\$230,000

Orange	92	\$1.11 million
Putnam	--	--
Rockland	--	--
Sullivan	48	\$460,000
Westchester	1	\$10,000
Ulster	8	\$110,000
<b>Hudson Valley</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>\$3.47 million</b>

*North Country:* Last year, 1706 dairy farmers in the North Country lost \$21.15 million due to the proliferation of cheap MPC imports.

County	Number of Dairy Farms	Revenue lost due to MPC imports in 2003
Clinton	156	\$2.75 million
Essex	20	\$240,000
Franklin	191	\$2.42 million
Hamilton	--	--
Herkimer	232	\$2.09 million
Jefferson	333	\$4.8 million
Lewis	313	\$3.78 million
St. Lawrence	461	\$5.07 million
Warren	--	--
<b>North Country</b>	<b>1706</b>	<b>\$21.15 million</b>

*Southern Tier:* Last year, 1415 dairy farmers in the Southern Tier lost \$13.59 million due to the proliferation of cheap MPC imports.

County	Number of Dairy Farms	Revenue lost due to MPC imports in 2003
Allegany	142	\$1.54 million
Broome	68	\$1.03 million
Chemung	30	\$350,000
Chenango	290	\$2.48 million
Delaware	209	\$1.78 million
Otsego	297	\$2.38 million
Steuben	280	\$2.8 million
Tioga	99	\$1.23 million
<b>Southern Tier</b>	<b>1415</b>	<b>\$13.59 million</b>

**Western New York:** Last year, 1144 dairy farmers in Western New York lost \$21.43 million due to the proliferation of cheap MPC imports.

<b>County</b>	<b>Number of Dairy Farms</b>	<b>Revenue lost due to MPC imports in 2003</b>
Cattaraugus	327	\$2.66 million
Chatauqua	243	\$3.06 million
Erie	140	\$2.15 million
Genesee	109	\$3.62 million
Niagara	47	\$1.32 million
Orleans	35	\$510,000
Wyoming	243	\$8.11 million
<b>Western New York</b>	<b>1144</b>	<b>\$21.43 million</b>

*\*\*Schumer study based on national 2002 MPC data from the National Milk Producers federation; State and county data provided by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. Estimates based on percentage of dairy produced in each county.*